SENATE BILL 2402

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 33; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68, Chapter 11 and Title 71, relative to healthcare costs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 2, is amended by adding the following section:

- (a) Each facility licensed under this chapter shall conspicuously post, in a place within the facility that is accessible to the public, a list of each healthcare service provided at the facility and a price for the service. The facility shall accept as payment in full the price listed at the time a healthcare service is provided if the patient, or any third-party payer on behalf of the patient, pays to the facility the posted price in full within thirty (30) days after the date the healthcare service is provided.
 - (b) As used in this section:
 - (1) "Healthcare provider" means any healthcare professional licensed, authorized, certified, or regulated under title 63, but does not include persons licensed under chapter 12 or 16 of title 63; and
 - (2) "Healthcare service" means healthcare procedures, treatments, or services provided by a facility licensed in this state or provided by a healthcare provider.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following section:

(a) Each healthcare provider licensed under this chapter shall conspicuously post, in a place within the healthcare provider's regular place of business that is

accessible to the public, a list of each healthcare service provided by the healthcare provider and a price for the service. The healthcare provider shall accept as payment in full the price listed at the time a healthcare service is provided if the patient, or any third-party payer on behalf of the patient, pays to the healthcare provider the posted price in full within thirty (30) days after the date the healthcare service is provided.

- (b) As used in this section:
- (1) "Healthcare provider" means any healthcare professional licensed, authorized, certified, or regulated under this title, but does not include persons licensed under chapter 12 or 16 of this title; and
- (2) "Healthcare service" means healthcare procedures, treatments, or services provided by a healthcare provider.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to services provided on or after that date.